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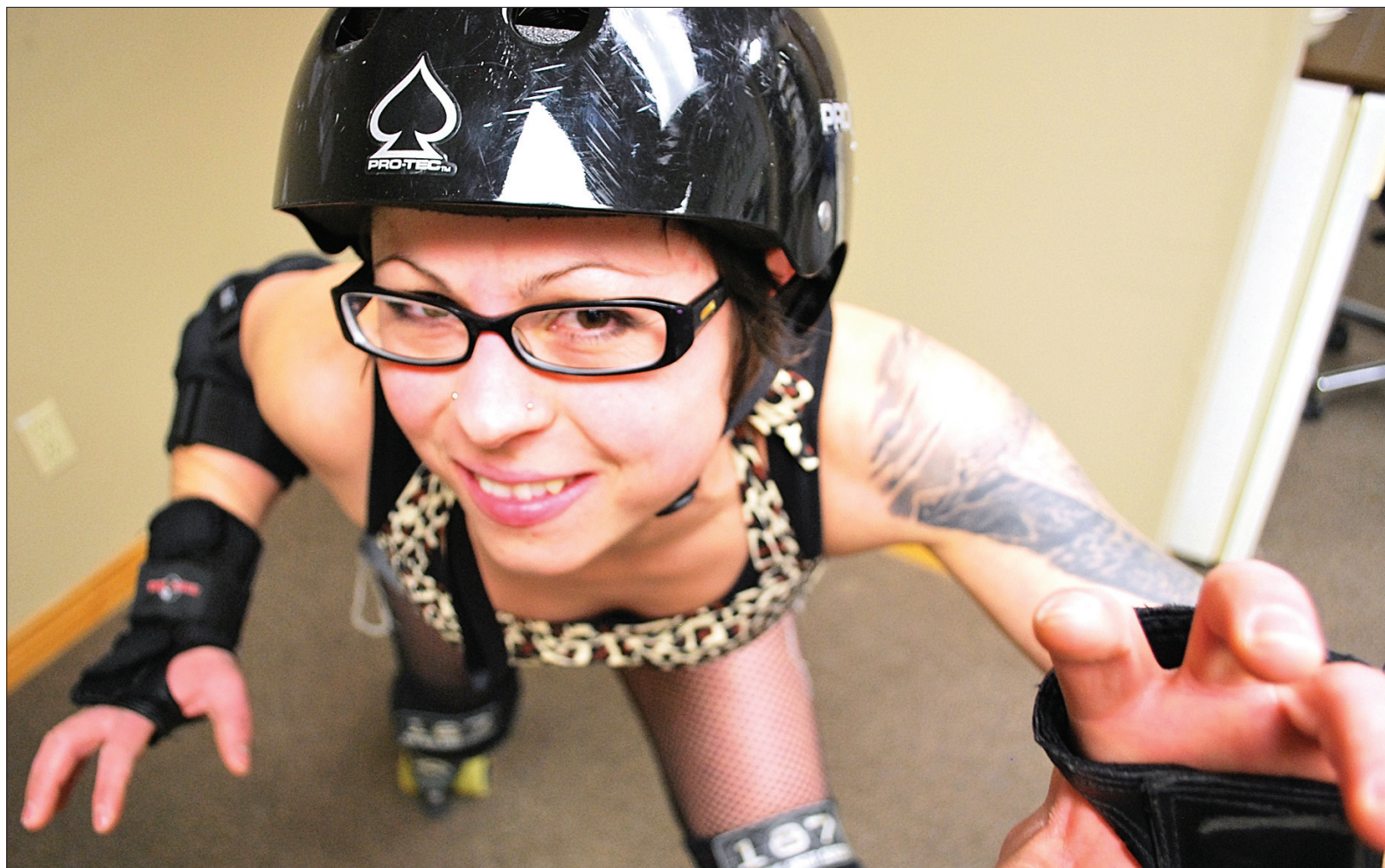
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Local BIA?

Minden Hills businesspeople come together to brainstorm a central association

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Chad Ingram Times staff

Kayla Wilkins, or Brim Stone, as is her rollergirl name, is eager to bring the sport of roller derby to Haliburton County.

Rollergirl brings the derby to the county

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Roller derby is coming to Haliburton County. Kayla Wilkins, or Brim Stone, as she is known

in rollergirl circles, wants to bring the sport she loves to the area, setting up a league based in Minden and is looking for girls and women to join.

Raised in the county, Wilkins moved to Toronto to attend university and it was there,

while studying biology and English at York, that she was introduced to the fast-paced sport that would become her passion.

"Right away, I knew I had to do it,"

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News reported as it happens

Jenn Watt
Editor

The *Minden Times* will now be publishing daily news stories on its website www.mindentimes.ca five days a week and breaking news as it happens.

In a move to better serve the people of the Highlands, the *Times* now delivers news online on the same day it happens.

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Reading is 'perpetually inviting'

Bessie's Books and other things
Bessie Sullivan
County Librarian

Vicki Fraser who is the supervisor at the Dwyer Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library suggested that I read *The Christmas Reader* by Alan Bennett. It is a book that had been suggested to me before but I just hadn't gotten around to it. Over the holidays I finally indulged and found it delightful. I started bookmarking pages of phrases I liked which in turn I will now share with you.

"Reading is untidy, discursive and perpetually inviting."

The premise of the novella is that the Queen stumbles upon a mobile library on the grounds of Buckingham Palace and becomes obsessed with reading.

As she reads she reflects about reading itself. For me, my lifetime of reading has continued to be a passion because

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The Highlands Weekender

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Who will be this year's Highlander of the Year?

The long list of nominees for the fifth annual Business and Community Achievement Awards have been released. Members of the Chamber of Commerce voted on their favourites and a committee will take these results into consideration when choosing this year's winners to be revealed at the gala Jan. 15. The Highlander of the Year nominees are as follows:

Aggie Tate - Serves as the volunteer Executive Director of the Haliburton County Home Builders Association, keeping this contractors and tradesmen and builders in line and informed. The driving force behind all the Home Builders events including the Annual Haliburton County Christmas Challenge which she founded and spearheads still. Long time Chair of the Terry Fox Run and co-chair of the Committee which brings the Canadian Cancer Society Relay for Life to the Highlands.

Barb Rodin - A tireless advocate of the Arts Community in the Haliburton County. During her 35 year career at Fleming College, Barb grew the campus from a small part time operation to a nationally recognized institution. Barb volunteers with countless organizations including Haliburton Highlands Arts Council, Friends

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Two in custody after break and enter

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands detachment have two men in custody after responding to a report of a possible break and enter shortly before 4 a.m. Jan. 11 on Humphrey Road in Minden Hills.

Officers responding to the scene confronted two men inside a cottage. The suspects fled the scene on foot and

additional police resources were called to assist. Members of the OPP Emergency Response Team and a canine officer responded to the scene.

As a result of a canine track, the suspects were located in a wooded area near the scene and arrested. The investigation is still ongoing.

Minden girl tracks down her sister

Jennifer Hamilton-McCharles
QMI Agency

With few clues to get started, a 12-year-old girl has solved a family mystery.

Josie Bailey knew she had a half-sister somewhere and wanted to find her.

She didn't have much to work with – no picture, date of birth or any idea where she might be living. All she knew was that they share a father and that her half-sister was named Melissa.

"Three years ago, I found out from some friends and family that my dad had another daughter," says Josie, who lives in Minden. "So when I got my Facebook account I put her name in and pages of Melissa Baileys came up.

"I just started at the top of the page and emailed everyone asking if they were my sister. I would forget about it and then I would try a few more names and wait."

Weeks went by and no replies. And then it happened. Melissa Bailey said the moment she saw the private inbox message, she knew it was her sister.

"I just started crying. I knew I had a sister, but I had no way to contact her. I had always hoped she would track me down," says Melissa, 36, who lives in North Bay with her two children.

"I had known about her for years and spent a lot of time worrying and wondering about her, but I knew nothing about her."

Melissa immediately responded to the email, summing up her life in a few sentences.

"I also told her that I loved her and then I just waited for a response," she says.

The sisters began to chat online until they couldn't wait any longer. They wanted to see each other face-to-face.

“Three years ago, I found out from some friends and family that my dad had another daughter. So when I got my Facebook account I put her name in and pages of Melissa Baileys came up.

— Josie Bailey

Josie travelled to North Bay at the end of December. "At first I thought it might be awkward, but it wasn't. She started teasing me right away," says Melissa. "It was important for me to meet her and not just this one time. We're planning another visit during March Break and summer holidays."

A New Year's Eve party gave other family members the chance to meet Josie.

"This is the best start to the new year," Melissa says. She isn't the only one overjoyed by the new discovery.

Her 11-year-old daughter, Jessica Giroux, is also "over the moon."

"It's kind of weird that I have an aunt who is only one year older than me, but it's also kind of cool," she says.

A lot less snow on the ground this year than last

by Phil Graham
Special to the *Times*

Happy new year to all!
December and 2010 is finished. December started with rain and finished with rain. In between there was a normal amount of snow, not like last December! We were lucky – we did not get all the snow in Southern Ontario. We got it last December!

The average temperature was -6.3C, slightly colder than last December (-5.4C).

Snow on the ground Dec. 31 was 16 cm. Last Dec. 31 was 42 cm.

Average high, -3.2C, 26.2F
Average low, -6.3C, 20.6F
Average for month, -4.7C, 23.5F
Average for last Dec., -5.4C, 22.2F
Highest temp Dec. 31, 4.5C, 40.1F
Lowest temp in Dec., -22C, -7.6F
Rain, 7.8 mm, .3 inches
Snow, 42 cm, 16.5 inches
Total precip for Dec., 49.8 mm, 19.6 inches
Total precip for last Dec., 209.8 mm, 8.2 inches
Days mostly sunny, 8
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Workshop proves fur is not a thing of the past

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Anne Kulmala has two favourite F words. Fashion and fur.

A third generation furrier, Kulmala has made a living and a name for herself by combining the two, a skill that was passed down to her through many generations.

"My father, John Kulmala was one of the head furriers at Eatons Canada and my grandparents owned a fur business in Toronto," said Kulmala who owns and operates Kulmala Furs.

The resident of Fenelon Falls proved fur was indeed still fashionable at the annual Minden District Fur Harvesters workshop held at the Minden Community Centre on Jan. 9.

With a table covered in fur accessories, including headbands, hats, mitts and earmuffs, Kulmala's products were in high demand during the day.

"Fur is definitely back in fashion, especially in Europe," explained Kulmala. "You're seeing fur being worn in places like Italy, where it isn't even that cold."

The rise of fur on the catwalk and in fashion magazines has kept Kulmala busy.



Pelts on the table waiting to be graded.

Angelica Blenich
Times staff

"This past year I just can't keep up with the demand of orders. I would say it's being almost equally bought by women and men."

Linda Nottage was given a blue fox coat by a friend who found it no longer fit her. The resident of Wilberforce showed the coat to Kulmala who soon after crafted a matching headband.

Kulmala admits style does matter with fur, especially when appealing to the younger generation, as does affordability.

"What you're starting to see is more of the crop jacket style become popular. I have a 17-year-old daughter who wears fur to school. And fur can be affordable, especially when it's recycled. It's going to last you a decade or more and not be something you get rid of after a year or two."

In many urban areas fur has become almost a dangerous word to utter, however for a northern community such as Minden it is part of its rich history.

Paul Arkwright has been the president of the Minden District Fur Harvesters for the past seven years.

According to Arkwright the organization's annual workshop has been taking place since 1980, yet the Minden Fur Harvesters have been in existence since 1958.

The group's history has been documented in a large book by the organization, which includes its earliest beginnings.

According to Arkwright beaver fur is in high demand right now, as is muskrat and otter.

"Our area is very good for beaver," said Arkwright, "compared to New York State. The fur harvesters up in North Bay like our beaver more than New York's."

This year's workshop included live fur skinning demonstrations as well as pelts being graded by judges from the North Bay Fur Harvesters.

According to organizers, this year's event drew in more than 250 fur enthusiasts from far and wide, including Barry's Bay and Port Hope.

Donations for the Minden Food Bank were also collected at the door and later presented to Barbara Walford-Davis.

While many of those in attendance spent the day watching the demonstrations or observing the grading, Kulmala's table stayed popular right until the very end as shoppers admired headbands made from champagne fox and mitts trimmed with coyote.

"The thing is fur is both functional and fashionable," said Kulmala. "It's warmer than most of the items you get at a sports store that are made of gortex and other man made products."

Practicality aside, the feeling of fur against the skin is one Kulmala will never tire of.

"There's something very luxurious about fur."



Bill Trudeau demonstrates how to skin a coyote during the annual Minden Fur Harvesters workshop held on Jan. 9 at the Minden Community Centre.



Boyfriend and girlfriend duo Chelsea Lockhart, left, and Eric Bolton romantically work on a beaver pelt together.



Linda Nottage proudly models her fur coat made of blue fox with matching headband.

Minden Hills business association sought

➤ It's been tried before with no luck, but Promoters try again

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Minden Hills merchants and business owners are once again banding together to form what will be known as the Minden Hills Business Association.

While the creation of a business association in the township has failed in recent years, some 30 politicians and business-people gathered at the Dominion Hotel on Jan. 4 looking to take another crack at it.

"Communication is going to be a priority," said Shawn Chamberlin. Chamberlin, owner of the Dominion Hotel and Grill on the Gull, headed up the meeting, held by the Minden Promoters.

Better communication between not only business owners, but also the municipality and other area organizations, would play a key role in making the new manifestation a success, he said.

Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch said five years ago, councillors spent about six months struggling to work with the association at the time, but said there seemed to be a lack of attendance and organization on the part of business owners.

"We need an official body to talk to," Murdoch said. "That's where the whole thing fell apart."

Four members of Minden Hills council were at the meeting.

Sally Moore, owner of Sunny Rock Bed and Breakfast, wanted to make sure the



Chad Ingram Times staff

Dominion Hotel owner Shawn Chamberlin, right, talks to area politicians and business owners last week as he and the Minden Promoters seek to re-establish a business association in the township.

new association would include accommodators and not just downtown merchants.

Chamberlin said it was the goal of the new association to more inclusive, involving all kinds of businesses from throughout the township.

Like any business association, the goal is to unite and jointly promote local businesses and events, for the mutual benefit of all involved.

"Really, our brand is 'shop Minden,'" Chamberlin said.

The association's first goal is more signage and Chamberlin said the Promoters already had their eye on a billboard space

that is going to open up in a few months.

Promoters member Lynda Litwin said the group had brainstormed a number of ideas for signage, including storefront signs with removable sections that could be used to welcome various groups to town, or old-fashioned direction signs that let people know what businesses and attractions are located which way.

A draft annual budget was handed out to attendees.

"Basically, we need \$12,000 to get started," Chamberlin said.

The draft budget shows \$3,000 for highway signage; \$1,500 for in-town signage;

\$2,500 for marketing; \$4,000 in administration cost; \$600 for communications; and a \$400 contingency.

A hundred businesses at \$10 a month could fund the annual budget, Chamberlin reasoned.

Andy Campbell, manager of the Haliburton County Development Corporation, said the corporation would soon be looking for requests for proposals and suggested the association apply for additional funding.

Kendra Kellett, administrative assistant at the Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, wanted to know what member businesses would be getting for their money.

Chamberlin said the increased exposure businesses would gain would be the main benefit.

Chamber president Nick Lawrence said he hoped the chamber could be integrated somehow and expressed concern about local businesses having too many memberships and too many fees to pay.

Minden Hills Councillor-at-large Larry Clarke wanted to know what outcomes the new association would be hoping for.

"The town doesn't look as prosperous as what we see in other communities," Clarke said, citing Haliburton Village as an example.

Chamberlin responded that there would be opportunities for street advertising, benching and other such improvements, but added he thought the town looked pretty good and that its aesthetics are continually improving.

The idea is for the association to meet on a quarterly basis, he said, and its next meeting will be in March where committee members will be elected.

Complications delay operations until spring for water tower

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

It looks like it will be spring before Minden Hills's water tower is operational.

The tower's base and reservoir tank were erected on the hill known as Mount Minden at the top of St. Germaine Street in the fall and while the township had hoped the tower would be operational some time this month, complications due to the weather mean it will likely be a few more months before things are flowing.

"The contractor encountered considerable frost where some pipe work is to be installed," said the township's property and environment manager Peter Brown, who will be leaving Minden Hills later this month to take a job in Parry Sound. "Everyone has been working extremely hard to have the system up and running this month, but this will not be the case. The contractor is still on site, but working on the interior pipes and electrical."

The delay will not affect users of the township's current water system.

"The overall Minden water system has not been adversely affected in any way, as the present reservoir is still in service and will continue to be in service until the new reservoir is complete," Brown said, adding he hoped that would be early spring.

The township was approved for two thirds of up to \$2.4 million in funding for its water tower project by the Building Canada Fund in 2009. However, earlier this year it was discovered that due to unforeseen cost increases by the manufacturer, the project would actually cost closer to \$3.4 million.

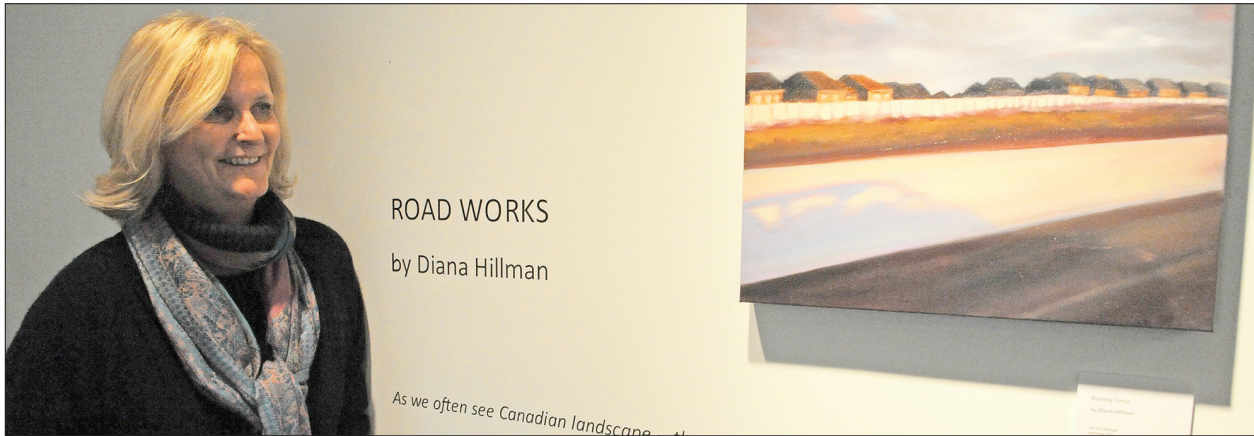
So far, the township has been able to find \$250,000 to put towards the \$1 million shortfall on the project.

Canadian Tire has said that it will not start construction on its store at the intersection of Highway 35 and Water Street until the water tower is operational, since it will save the company from having to construct its own cistern.

The tower has a storage capacity of 1,500 cubic metres and its tank, which is visible from many vantage points in the village, has recently been painted.



Minden Hills's water tower will likely not be operational until early spring, the township says. /Chad Ingram photo



New exhibit takes viewer on journey from passenger seat

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

For Diana Hillman the passenger seat of a car is where she prefers to be.

It was during a long and boring drive that the Canadian artist conceived the idea for her latest exhibit of work, titled *Road Works*.

Currently on display at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Hillman's collection is a series of Canadian road scenes as witnessed through what famed photographer Annie Liebowitz called the ready-made picture frame of the car window.

"It was during this particular drive when I realized most of us only look at landscapes from a car," said Hillman. "We all love our cars and like to drive, however the roads impact our landscapes."

First conceived two years ago, the project, said Hillman, has been an ongoing one. The landscape paintings found in the exhibit have been derived from photographs Hillman herself has taken as a way of capturing the image.

Taken entirely through a glass window, Hillman prefers to use her own photographs rather than those given to her.

"I find with your own photos you have a sense of connection," said Hillman. Unlike the landscapes of other popular artists, Hillman's pieces evoke a sense of darkness, set off by the vastness of the images and an eerie beauty.

A resident of Caledon, Hillman was approached by gallery curator Laurie Carmount to exhibit her work in Minden.

"I think some of the pieces were still wet when they were delivered," laughed Hillman. *Road Works* is on display at the

gallery from now until Jan. 29. For more information visit www.mindenculturalcentre.com.

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Landscape painter Diana Hillman gazes at one of her pieces currently on display at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery as part of the exhibit *Road Works*. Based on Canadian landscapes as seen through the window of a car, the exhibit will be on display from now until Jan. 29.

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Association needed

LAST WEEK the Minden Promoters organized what will hopefully be the first of many meetings of a new Minden Hills Business Association.

The effort has failed before for reasons that seem to include, among others, a lack of communication and general interest.

However, the new association is something that all business owners in the township should consider.

Business associations work. If they didn't, they wouldn't appear in so many communities. It's just a matter of how to make one work in this community; coming up with strategies that will be of mutual benefit to area businesses.

The business community in Minden Hills needs to create more of consumer personality for itself. It needs to feel more like a community. Right now, its businesses seem to lack the cohesiveness that those in some other places demonstrate.

Increased signage and cross-promotion are a good start, but it will require more to give the business community the jolt it needs.

Shawn Chamberlin, proprietor of the Dominion Hotel and Grill on the Gull and host of last week's meeting, called for more communication between not only business owners

themselves, but between the municipality and businesses.

Makes sense.

If business owners know there is a hockey tournament at the arena this weekend, they can create signage or deals geared specifically toward hockey families.

Slap shot sale. Hat-trick hamburgers. You get the picture. People are more likely to spend money in the community if they feel like they, specifically, are being welcomed.

Councillor-at-large Larry Clarke commented that some communities in

the area look more prosperous than Minden and wondered what could be done about it.

While Clarke's comment seemed to draw the ire of some, like it or not, many people share his perspective.

In the more than two years I've worked for this publication, I've heard countless people say that Highland Street is simply nicer than Bobcaygeon Road and I know there are many Minden Hills residents who prefer to shop in Haliburton Village.

Business owners in this community need to ask themselves what they are going to do to change this. And they need to do it together.

They should also realize the value of working together as big box stores and fast food franchises begin to set up shop along the Highway 35 corridor.



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letters to the editor

Canada's water up for grabs

To the Editor,

Canada's ambassador to the United Nations on water rights, Maude Barlow, sent me a press release just before Christmas with this urgent message: our Canadian water is being sold off to European companies. All in the name of free trade. It's happening right now, in Brussels, as our federal government sits at the table with the European Union to write up the Canada-EU Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA). And it's our water rights and water utilities that are being carved up.

"CETA is a water privatization deal," says Maude Barlow. "Our public water is being negotiated away behind closed doors. We

need to act now or we will wake up one morning and our public water systems will be gone."

If you think your hydro rates are high, wait until you see your water bill once a French company such as Suez or Veolia owns it. You'll think you're driving on Ontario's Spanish-owned Highway 407. But you won't find an off-ramp here. Once our precious water is sold off, it's gone for good.

I'm sending an email to Stephen Harper and Dalton McGuinty today. I hope you'll do the same.

Susanne Lauten
Candidate, Green Party of Canada
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points of view

Two thumbs up

I'M NOT AN ANTHROPOLOGIST – I don't even play one on television – but it seems to me that the only thing that separates modern man from the apes these days are two opposable thumbs and a penchant for using them.

This occurred to me this morning as I was eating a banana, using the tire swing, and thumbing through the Yellow Pages.

More importantly, I realized that these very same characteristics are also the things that separate younger folks from people my age.

Have a look at anyone under 30 and you'll see something incredible. Years of text messaging and video gaming have given these people the greatest thumbs in the history of humanity. Their opposable digits are toned, fit and muscular – look close and I suspect you'll see little six-packs on each one.

These athletic thumbs move with

panther-like speed and agility unknown to our forefathers. This is good, but it's also a bit terrifying for them, I suspect.

I mean, if someone my age loses the use of a thumb while serving on the front lines in a thumb war, it's not such a big deal. Sure we'd be limited to hitchhiking in one direction, having only one hand supported by a suspender and giving only half as much enthusiastic approval – just one thumb up – as we might otherwise want to give. All in all, however, we'd get by.

On the other hand – no pun intended – if a young person loses the use of one thumb, we're dealing with a major social disaster. Their ability to text message has immediately been cut in half. So slow is their response time that they might actually

have to engage in face-to-face conversations with the people around them, in the very same room!

What follows is both predictable and sad. You see, in an effort to avoid this uncomfortable, old school verbal communication and keep up with the rest of the herd, the other thumb gets overworked until the strain becomes way too much.

Suddenly, it snaps clean in half. And, they are, for all intents and purposes, rendered mute in the electronic world. It's traumatic.

And, all it takes is someone, in a fit of anger saying, "One-two-three-four, I declare a thumb war!"

When are we ever going to learn?

Nothing – literally nothing – is solved by thumb wars. All they cause is pain

and suffering.

That's why I am starting a local, anti-thumb war movement. Even now, I'm organizing a rally where like-minded people can gather, remove their gloves for a moment and carry tiny little signs that bear slogans such as "No more thumb war!" or "It's real dumb to fight with thumb!"

I'm working on catchier slogans.

In any case, this movement will try to enlist the Hollywood elite as well as veterans of past thumb wars to speak out about the futility of going into battle with your most opposable digit.

Call it my little contribution to humanity. If it wins me a Nobel Peace Prize, so be it. Between you and me though, I have my doubts. After all, to stop the misuse of thumbs, it doesn't take a pacifist. It takes a pacifier.

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Steve Galea
Beyond 35

Jiggs waits for a lift

THE BROWN DOG JIGGS is so determined to swap our little Japanese four-by-four for something that runs closer to the ground that he's offered help out with the down payment.

Out of his life savings. Not that he's saved anything yet. He doesn't even have a wallet. Or a pocket to put it in.

Trouble is, anything closer to the ground probably would have two-wheel drive, and that would be good for just about anything except getting us home on our winter road.

Jiggs has no objection to the style of our truck, which is perky rather than muscular. It's difficult to complain about a vehicle that always gets us where we want to go.

But on the whole, Jiggs would rather have one of those Porsches. Trouble is, even if you kept it from sliding off our road in January, a Porsche might stumble over the rocks and mud on the April road back to the sugar shack.

The pickup has grievances of its own. It would rather be attached to a snow blade in winter, like a real Haliburton truck.

Sometimes when we meet a convoy

of plow-mounted pickups that looks almost military proceeding up Bobcaygeon Road, our truck almost blushes, looking for a way to hide its nakedness.

But Jiggs doesn't mind our pickup's bladelessness. What irks him is that it's too hard for a dog to get into. Our truck has what its maker calls an access cab, which means it has a narrow bench of a back seat. It is a two-door, with four-door ambitions.

One of the front seats slides forward and the back of the seat tilts forward so Jiggs can hop in. A small leap through a narrow opening is required, almost like threading a needle.

With a Porsche say, or one of those low-slung F-150s with an extended cab that makes the cargo box look like an afterthought, there is a back door and an easy step up, instead of a leap.

That's what Jiggs wants. He is a dog averse to risk in general, except when it comes to herding porcupines, and getting through that narrow opening into our pickup evidently seems pretty risky

to him.

So, he makes me help him. In town, I feel like his valet.

At home, where he is unleashed, I open a pickup door and invite him in. He leaves whatever he is doing and comes over to stare through the opening into the void as though he is searching for the meaning of life.

You'll have to move that snow brush off the floor, he says. Pick up those winter gloves; I might step on them and slip. Move that seat belt.

Well done, he says when I clear the deck, and then we wait.

"Come on, Jiggs," I say, and here it helps to insert a hint of exasperation in my tone. Often, I don't even have to fake it.

"First paw," I say and he inserts one paw with great trepidation. "Second paw," and when he procrastinates, I try "Nest paw," and after he tell me that isn't French after all, he places his second paw in position.

And looks back up at me. Time means nothing to dogs.



Neil Campbell
Back of Beyond

At last I wrap an arm under his loins and start a procedure that winds up being a combination lift and leap.

Then he stands on the back bench and looks around him to see that everything is in order, tail tucked, almost hooked, between his legs to signal abject misery.

You'd almost think he doesn't want to be there, except that he barks a litany of grievances to the dog union anytime the pickup leaves without him.

He could get in by himself; I've seen him do it. For a while, I tried getting him into the paws-up position and going to the other side of the truck and calling him.

That worked well enough for him, but for me, it meant going around the truck three times just to get him into it, so it didn't take me long to abandon that plan.

Jiggs has trained me well, for he is the most spoiled dog in Haliburton County.

A collection of Neil Campbell's columns, Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, is available in stores across Haliburton County.

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Red Hawks win St. Peter's Classic

Jenn Watt
Editor

The Red Hawks took their third tournament win this season in Peterborough Saturday, Jan. 8 defeating Scarborough's Sir Oliver Mowat 3-0 for the A division title at the St. Peter's Classic.

The Hawks started the tournament with a loss Friday

against Peterborough's St. Peter's in pool play, but quickly made up for it with two wins, placing the boys at the top of their pool headed into Saturday's games.

There they recorded wins against Georgetown and London teams before taking on Sir Oliver Mowat for the A division victory.

"This is the first time the Red Hawks have ever won the A division in this tournament. It is a huge accomplishment coming as a result of everything coming together for

six games in a row," coach Ron Yake wrote in an email to media.

According to Yake, there were 40 teams from across the province at the tournament with 16 teams (all from AAA schools) in the Hawks' division.

Scorers in the Mowat game were Brett Yake, Aaron Hillier and Ian Bottum with Andy Elia in net.

The Hawks emerged champions from Lake Placid, N.Y. and Ottawa earlier this season.



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January 13th	Special Council Meeting (to follow COTW)
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January 27th	9am – Council Meeting

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, January 13th, 2011

Notice is hereby given that a Special Council Meeting has been called for Thursday, January 13th, 2011. The Special Council Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, 7 Milne Street, Minden, following the Committee of the Whole Meeting. The purpose of the Special Meeting is for Council to consider:

- Resolution requesting the extension of Infrastructure Project Deadlines
- Appointment of Board & Committee Members
- By-law to authorize a Service Agreement for John S. Rogers (Interim CAO)

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 34(1) of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 2001, S.O. 2001 c.25 as amended, that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider, and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers on Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 2011 at the hour of 9:00 a.m., by-laws to stop up, close and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:-

1. File No. SRA-10-05

Applicant – **HARTLEY: Rebecca and Michael**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of South Beaver Lake, lying in front of Lot 21, Concession 3, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Part 1 & 2 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9222, registered November 26, 2010.

2. File No. RA-01

Applicant – **HARTLEY: Rebecca and Michael**

Part of the original road allowance between Lots 20 and 21, Concession 3, geographic Township of Lutterworth, designated as Parts 3 and 4 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9222, registered November 26, 2010.

3. File No. SRA-10-12

Applicant – **DAL BELLO: Olinda**

Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Soyers Lake, lying in front of Lot 26, Concession 9, geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1 on a Plan of Survey 19R-9220, registered November 19, 2010.

The above noted plans of survey are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said by-laws at the meeting to be held at the time and place above-mentioned, the Council shall then and there, hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws and who applies to be heard.

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Panelists included, from left, Algonquin Highlands Reeve and art collector Carol Moffatt, local artist Laurie O'Reilly and landscape painter Diana Hillman.



Angelica Blenich Times staff

A panel discussion on the purpose of visual art at Agnes Jamieson Gallery Jan. 8 was led by gallery curator Laurie Carmount, far left. The panel included Algonquin Highlands Reeve and art collector Carol Moffatt, left, local artist Laurie O'Reilly and landscape painter Diana Hillman.

Panelists discuss art's purpose

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Visual art has a different purpose for everyone.

A panel discussion held at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery on Jan. 8 tackled the intricate topic of art as it tried to answer the question what is the purpose of visual art today?

Directed by gallery curator Laurie Carmount, the discussion featured art collector Carol Moffatt, local artist Laurie O'Reilly and landscape painter Diana Hillman as panelists.

The topic was debated through a series of questions recently sent out by the gallery to residents in Haliburton County in the form of a survey.

The first question asked whether there was a purpose to art, with 100 per cent of respondents believing there was.

The majority of respondents also thought there was more

purpose to visual art today.

"I was surprised by this response," said Carmount.

Hillman and O'Reilly also expressed surprise. Moffatt disagreed.

"I think more people are seeing a purpose in art today because of its collection value," said Moffatt.

"Art has become a part of our language," said local artist George Farrell. "I think it's only going to expand."

However, when it came down to classifying the purpose of visual art today the answers varied, from stimulating society to making a connection between artists and viewers or simply engaging in it as a career or business.

Discussions swirled around the value of creating relatable art, artistic merit and whether or not financial worth gave visual art a purpose.

One hope was constant: the power of visual art would remain relevant both in the past and into the future.

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— George Farrell

Conjurors get grant from Theatre Ontario's youth program

➤ Money will go towards running local theatrical workshops

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Local theatre group Conjurors of County Town have received a grant from Theatre Ontario's Youth Theatre Training Program and will be using the money to create a cast of colourful mythological creatures who will appear at events throughout the county.

As conjuror and playwright Michael

Fay explained, the group will use the grant to bring in trainers from Shadowland Theatre, a Toronto-based troupe, to run workshops with the high school's drama as well as a community workshop.

"They do what is called spectacle theatre," Fay said. "They work with community groups to create larger than life characters."

The community workshop will see Fay and a handful of other area artists, choreographers and storytellers creating a group of "forest-based" mythological creatures who will make appearances at events throughout the county during the summer.

The idea came out of the Festival of the August Moon, he said, referring to the successful downtown Minden

event of last summer.

Based on the Japanese art form of Kabuki theatre, the street performances the conjurors are going to create have been dubbed Halibuki theatre.

Fay said the group hoped to debut the characters around July 1.

He said receiving the grant was validating for the Conjurors.

"They're now recognizing that what we do deserve support," he said, emphasizing this area is underfunded when it comes to the arts.

The Theatre Ontario program is funded by the Ontario Arts Council.

The idea for the Halibuki theatre came from the Festival of the August Moon held last summer. /George Farrell photo



Brown bound for Parry Sound

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Minden Hills's property and environment manager is resigning as he takes a new job.

Peter Brown filed his resignation papers and gave his notice last week as he prepares to become the director of operations for the Town of Parry Sound.

"I have mixed emotions leaving, as I have really enjoyed working here and the staff at Minden Hills are exceptional," Brown, who has worked for the township for just over a year, told the *Times*. "But the new position that I have accepted is a wonderful career opportunity for me that I did not want to pass up."

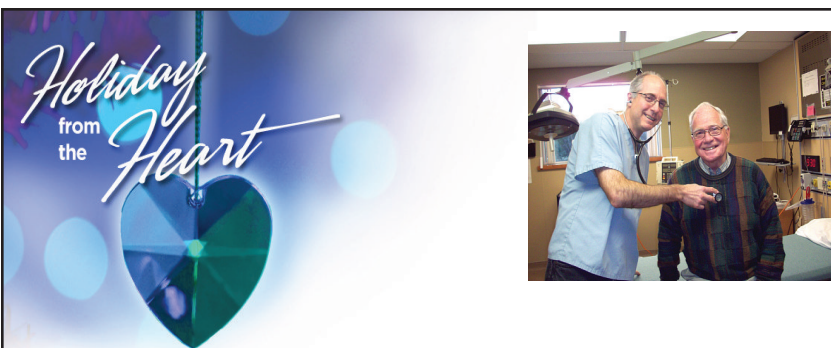
Brown replaced former property and environment manager Bob Romberg.

"Peter has done a great job for the township of Minden Hills and will be missed," Reeve Barb Reid said. "He successfully managed the Lutterworth Pines water system installation as well as the water tower construction project. The opportunity in Parry Sound represents significantly more responsibility and is a great career move for him."

Reid said council will be moving to fill the gap created by Brown's departure in the near future.

There remain a few other gaps in staffing at the township, with chief administrative officer Gerry Morrison and deputy clerk Laura Cunliffe away on sick leave.

Former CAO, politician and lawyer John Rogers has been brought in to act as interim CAO three days a week in Morrison's absence.



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Roller derby started as entertainment, turned into sport

from page 1

Wilkins said. "I was finishing school and I needed a hobby.

"I didn't even know how to skate on roller skates at the time."

That was in November of 2006.

In 2009, she was named the Toronto Roller Derby League's Rollergirl of the Year and was the league's Pivot of the Year for 2009 and 2010.

Wilkins is a member of the Gore-Gore Rollergirls and CN Power, the latter of which she competes with throughout North America, and is coaching the South Simcoe Roller Rebels, out of the Orillia area.

The aggression of the sport is in part

what attracts Wilkins to it.

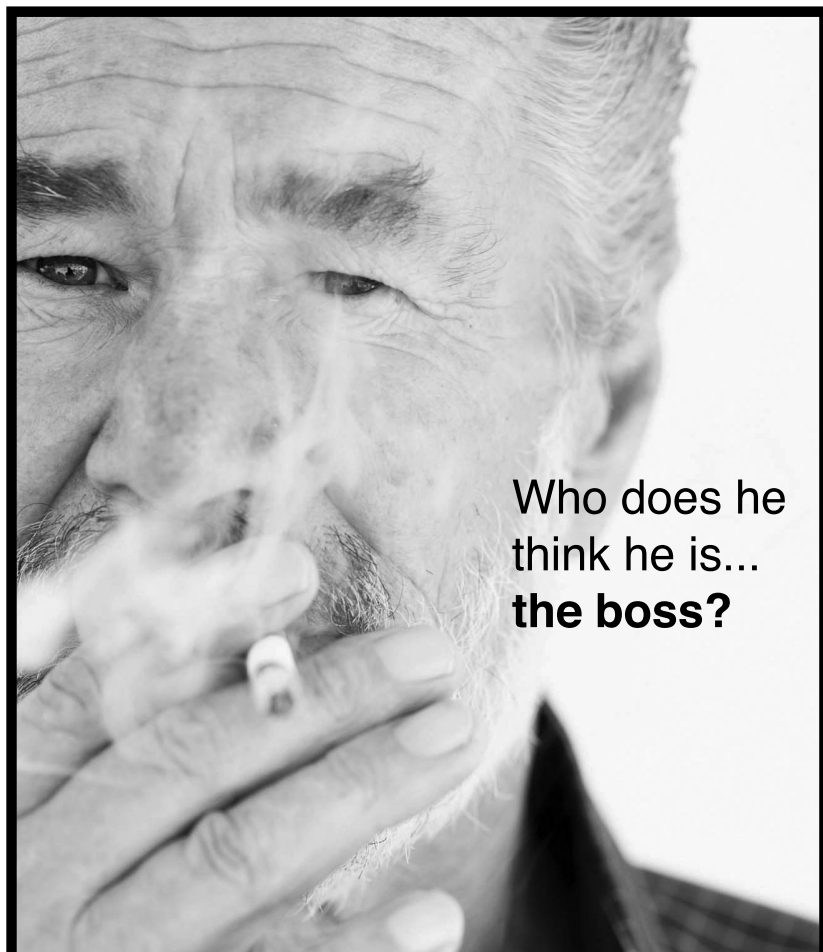
"It's also very strategic," she said. "I like the thinking part of the game."

Roller derby games – or bouts, as they are called – are divided into two 30-minute periods and each of those periods is divided into sections of up to two minutes called jams.

Each of the two teams has a member called the jammer, whose goal it is to skate past the members of the opposing team, called blockers, who try to prevent the jammer from passing by taking her down.

A point is scored when a jammer makes a successful pass.

"It's a really interesting sport because offence and defence is hap-



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Kayla Wilkins started out with the nickname Brim Stone Cowgirl, but dropped the ending.

Competitive roller derby is played only by women with men participating as referees, though Wilkins thinks that may be changing.

Chad Ingram
Times staff

pening at the same time," Wilkins said.

Pivots, the position which Wilkins plays, are the head blockers, whose job it is to keep the pack together.

The roots of roller derby date back to 1920s America, where it started basically as roller skate races. However, Wilkins said, promoters noticed that the games got the biggest crowd response when players would fall or knock each other down and so that became the focus of the sport.

"It started more as entertainment," she said, comparing it to professional wrestling.

The points system was introduced later, in what Wilkins explained has been a renaissance of the sport in the last decade or so.

"It's spreading like crazy," she said.

The sport nearly went extinct in the 1970s.

Nicknames and costumes are an aspect of the sport which Wilkins said are kept in place to honour its spectacle-laden history.

On the track, Brim Stone can be found wearing a leopard-print bathing suit as part of her ensemble.

Her nickname has become such a part of her life that Wilkins is sure many people who know her are not even aware of what her real name is.

Nicknames are up to the players, but they must choose a moniker that has not been taken by another rollergirl anywhere.

Wilkins said there is a website to help with this process.

Her own nickname started as Brim Stone Cowgirl, but Brim Stone seemed more mature.

Competitive roller derby is played only by

women, with men participating as referees.

Wilkins believes this is going to change, as more men seem to be getting interested in the sport.

No prior athletic or rollerskating experience is necessary to learn the game.

"All different body shapes and sizes can be good at different aspects of the sport," Wilkins said.

Does roller derby hurt?

"Sometimes," Wilkins said with a smile, adding that bruises are by far the most common injury. "The skaters generally wear those bruises with pride."

She added that "fishnet burn" can also be a problem.

Hitting involves mostly shoulder- and hip-checking.

"There are rules," Wilkins said, adding that low hits or blows to the head are not permitted.

Learning how to fall properly is important and this will be one of the many skills she'll teach as part of lessons she plans to hold at the Minden Hills Community Centre.

Instruction would begin in the community centre itself, with games occurring on the pad at the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena during the couple of months in the spring when it is without ice.

She would like to start both a non-contact junior team and a women's contact team.

Anyone interested in getting involved as a player or a referee can contact Wilkins at 705-879-8852 or email brimstone218@yahoo.ca.

Poet new writer in residence at RDLP

The R.D. Lawrence Place has announced its new writer-in-residence for 2011. Ron Evans will be guiding the organization through literary programming over the next year. As means of introduction, here is Evans's biography, written by Evans himself.

By Ron Evans

"There is nothing to writing. All you do is sit down at a typewriter and bleed." – Ernest Hemingway

OK, so the typewriter has been in the basement for more than a few years, but the laptop computer and legal pad are still workin' fine...

Never one to limit the ways he can bleed, Ron Evans has kept a toe or 10 in the media for the past 25 years.

Published author? Check. Photographer? Yep! Newspaper reporter? Natch. Television show creator? You betcha! Radio show creator/host? Oui!

Ron started out on his professional writing odyssey by scoring straight 90s in high school English, then graduating from the Print Journalism program at Centennial College in Scarborough, Ont. in 1988. During his first college semester, Ron failed and had to repeat photography, which naturally drove him to not only pass the second time around, but to take over the positions of assistant darkroom technician and photo editor of the college student newspaper. During this time, Ron also wrote for the *Newmarket Era*,

the *Aurora Banner* and the *East York Observer*, as well as dabbling in politics, golf and roller coaster operation.

From 1988 to 2009, Ron went from one job to another – literally. For 13 years, he managed movie theatres for Cineplex Odeon, and then spent nine years as a financial whiz for TD Canada Trust.

But the spectre of the written word was never far away, usually creeping along in the shadows, offering up the odd giggle and occasional fractured observation.

Always a fan author of poetry, Ron decided in 2003 to seriously take a stab at trying to write poetry professionally, albeit in any spare time he could find. This led to performing at various open stage and featured readings, and the publication of poetry collections *The Martin Chronicles Vol. 1 & 2* (Nice Marmot Productions, 2004) and *The Beautiful Darkness* (believeyourownpress, 2005). His work has also appeared in such publications as *Misunderstandings Magazine*, *Artery*, *laNterN*, *The Legendary* and *Hobo Camp Review*.

During this time, while watching writers perform their works on-stage, Ron got the idea to follow the writers and document on film their creative processes, from the kernel of a written idea to the writing to the performance. Ron teamed up with Symmetree Media, a small company he was familiar with from his time at TD Canada

Trust. Symmetree ran with the idea, and within a year the TV documentary series *The Heart Of A Poet* was living and beating on Book Television, Bravo and Canadian Learning Television.

In 1988, his parents Robbie and Sharon Evans moved to a property near Carnarvon, and Ron had been a frequent visitor to the region. In 2009, Ron's fiancé received a job offer in Haliburton, so they both came up here to work, play, and to operate a thriving yarn and fibre dyeing business. And since June 2010, Ron has also kept busy as the creator, writer and host of *Needles & Threads*, Monday nights at 9 p.m. on Canoe FM. As well, his fourth poetry collection, *Atlas Sneezed* (Cactus Press), is set for release this winter!

2011? Who knows what will happen. Hopefully, the yarn business will continue to succeed. Hopefully, the snows will melt before Victoria Day. Hopefully, Ron will be offered gainful employment. And hopefully, the words will continue to flow...

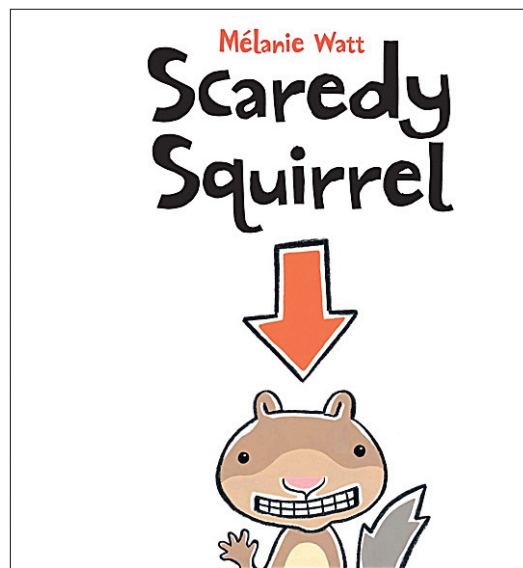
Scaredy Squirrel helps spread the word of family literacy

Scaredy Squirrel never leaves his nut tree. His outrageous fears and his hilarious adventures as he is forced to confront life out of the tree make for a fun evening out for the whole family. R.D. Lawrence Place writer-in-residence Ron Evans will share this popular children's story as Darby Bayley brings it to life with puppets at the Haliburton County Public Library Minden Branch.

This is a free event in celebration of Family Literacy Day on Jan. 27 at 6 p.m. The Scaredy Squirrel books are aimed at young children to age eight. The laughable stories have an uplifting message about courage. Canadian author Melanie Watt has won 16 awards with the series including being named Children's Author of the Year by Libris. Watt has been roundly hailed as a children's literature superstar for her different series of books. This evening is an introduction to this fantastic author's work.

Families who read together do more than teach reading and comprehension skills, they also encourage creativity and give children a sense of security by showing their children they are worth spending time with. The National Center for Family Literacy's long-term research with 2,000 families that attended family literacy programs shows that literacy intervention reduced participants' full dependence on public assistance from 67 per cent to 11 per cent.

"There is a lot of research that has been done that clearly shows life-long benefits for children who are read to. Statistics aside, we encourage families to come out and have fun. Ron and Darby will tell the story and we will have a fun activity session where children can invent their own emergency kits, although, it will be tough to beat Scaredy Squirrel's which has everything from Band-Aids to a parachute to sardines!" says Sheryl Loucks, R.D. Lawrence Place coordina-



tor.

For further details about the program please call 286-2298 or see mindenculturalcentre.com and for more information about the series go to kids-canpress.com. For tips and activities for family literacy please see abclifeliteracy.ca.

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All surveys must be completed and returned to the Health Unit by January 24, 2011.

You can also take part in one of two community forums to give your input.

Thursday, January 20, 2011 from 1 to 3 pm

- upstairs at Cafe 212 in Haliburton

Friday, January 21, 2011 from 10 am to noon

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After we had eaten a delicious spread, we took part in a Canadian Geographical Quiz with those present scoring very well and learning some new facts. We played several games and enjoyed stories and jokes along with a lot of laughter and gentle teasing. After a very pleasant three hours we wished everybody a very Happy Christmas and health, wealth and happiness in 2011.

Our January meeting will be on the 19th at 1:30 p.m. at Mabel Deacons' home on Anson Street. We look forward to meeting all the members and guests for our first meeting in 2011.

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February 17th 9:00am – 4:00pm Medal Rounds @ Minden Community Centre



The 2011 Ontario Senior Games are a 3 day multi- sport event occurring in Haliburton County from February 15– 17th.

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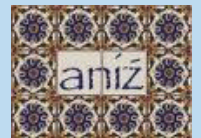


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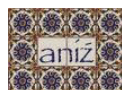


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night accommodation is not included.

This is an excellent, unique opportunity for the selected young adults to experience the camp and benefit from the top instruction provided by our Artists in Residence in either guitar, choir, song writing or fiddle.

The winners will be chosen by the folk society by a random draw from the contest entries. To qualify, youth should be between the ages of 14 and 21.

Just send along a letter or email detailing your interest in music and your reasons for wishing to be the candidate selected for this great expe-

rience. Include your name, address, telephone number and age in your entry.

Thank you to the sponsors of Winter Folk Camp for helping to make this experience for youth possible. The Haliburton County Folk Society is still accepting sponsors for this youth program.

Entries must be received by Feb. 11 and may be sent to the Haliburton County Folk Society, Attention: Trina West - Youth Division, at 1107 Steeplechase Dr., Algonquin Highlands, Ontario, K0M 1J1 or by email to info@haliburtonfolk.com.

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The Highway Traffic Act R.S.O. 1990, C. H.8, S. 170 (12 & 13), states "No person shall park or stand a vehicle on a highway in such a manner as to interfere with the movement of traffic or the clearing of snow from the highway." A Police Constable, County or Municipal appointed By-Law Officer may have the vehicle removed from the roadway and stored at the owner's expense.

The Highway Traffic Act R.S.O. 1990, C. H.8, S. 181 states "No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for maintenance of the road". The penalty on conviction is a fine of \$105.00.

Please be very careful when clearing your driveway, entrance and mail box. Be sure to plow or blow the snow back away from the roadway to avoid creating a hazard for the travelling public.

The cooperation of all motorists in these matters would be appreciated for efficient winter maintenance of County and Municipal Roads and the safety of others.

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Help protect Ontario's bats

Five years ago in upstate New York, bats started dying from a mysterious condition. Dubbed "white nose syndrome" because of a fungus that grew on affected bats, it has now killed more than a million bats in eastern North America.

In March 2010, the syndrome was detected in Ontario. It has been confirmed at seven sites in central and north-eastern Ontario. The Ministry of Natural Resources and the Canadian Cooperative Health Centre continue to monitor the spread of the disease and determine its impact on Ontario's bats. While the number of bat deaths has been low in Ontario to date, the ministry is concerned about the potential negative impact the syndrome could have on bats in this province.

What can the public do to protect bats?

You can help by staying away from sites where bats hibernate and reporting any unusual bat behaviour (such as daytime flying) or deaths.

White nose syndrome has been linked to a fungus that grows on bats while they hibernate in natural caves and abandoned mines. The fungus seems to irritate and cause bats to awaken, so they use their winter fat stores more quickly. They may leave hibernation sites and fly around outside, often in the daytime, when it's still winter and where there are no food sources available.

Entering caves or abandoned mines may disturb hibernating bats and reduce their ability to survive the winter. The public is encouraged to stay out entirely or avoid entering natural caves or abandoned mines where bats may be hibernating.

If you see bats flying during the daytime in winter, or you see dead bats, please contact the Canadian Cooperative Wildlife Health Centre at 1-866-673-4781 or the Natural Resources Information Centre at 1-800-667-1940.

Do not touch bats, alive or dead, as they can carry rabies.

Why are bats important to us?

Bats are remarkable creatures. They're the only mammal that can fly - bats that are just three weeks old are able to



This bat shows the fungus that gives white nose syndrome its name.

fly and find their own food.

Bats eat insects - lots of them. One bat can consume thousands of flying insects each night during the summer.

Bats navigate and locate food by using echolocation. They send out signals and when the echoes bounce back, the bats can identify where objects are located.

Bats are an important part of Ontario's biodiversity. Eight different species of bats are found in this province; little brown and big brown bats are the most common. Some bats (those affected by white nose syndrome) hibernate in caves, while others fly as far as South America for our winter.

Have your say

If you have ever wanted to share your opinion on how to make Haliburton County a healthy place to live, learn, work or play - this is the time.

Local residents are being asked to provide their input by completing a survey or taking part in one of two community forums planned for later this month. The purpose behind the survey and forums is to gather opinions from residents on what should be done in the areas of physical activity, reducing tobacco use and exposure, healthy eating, preventing injuries, preventing substance and alcohol misuse, and mental health promotion.

Gathering input on these areas is part of the new Healthy Communities strategy launched by the Ontario Ministry of Health Promotion and Sport. The purpose of the strategy is to look at how communities can help make it easier for their residents to live healthy lives. Under the Healthy Communities Fund (HCF) - Partnership Stream, funding is provided to community partnerships to plan and deliver integrated programs that improve the health of Ontarians.

Surveys are available online at <http://app.fluidsurveys.com/s/hburton/> or from the health unit's Haliburton office at 191 Highland Street, unit 301.

All surveys are confidential and must be completed and returned to the health unit by Monday, January 24, 2011. Everyone who completes a survey can choose to enter a draw for a gift certificate from a local business.

People can also participate in one of two community forums organized to gather input. Light refreshments will be provided at the community forums, which take place on Thursday, Jan. 20 from 1 to 3 p.m. upstairs at Café 212 in Haliburton on Friday, Jan. 21 from 10 a.m. to noon at Dominion Hotel, 113 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden.

"This is a perfect time for people to share their input and ideas," Shikaze says. "Tell us what you think will make Haliburton County a place where you can live a healthy life and make healthy choices - your opinion is important to us!"

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Robbie Burns comes back to life Saturday



Patti Fleury
Around the Town

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Part of Bruce's Saturday morning routine is heading for Kinmount to get the Saturday *Globe and Mail*. No, dear readers, it is not for the sports section, cultural events or fashion highlights, but the obituaries. Thankfully rarely does a familiar name appear but he reads in detail the accomplishments of so many people who would have been great Facebook friends. This week's favourite was a very accomplished gentleman who passed away in his 98th year. An astute businessman, he served on several boards of directors. His contributions were so valued that on his 90th birthday one such board actually changed its bylaws to increase the mandatory retirement age to 117 to permit his continuing service.

News from the Kinmount arena on the fairgrounds that there is public skating on Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 1 to 3 p.m. and on Sundays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. while hockey continues on Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m. Community appreciation is extended to those who give their time to maintain the ice and operate the snack bar in this attractive facility for the benefit of all.

For those of Scottish heritage and others who wish they were it will be Robbie Burns Night coming up at the Burnt River Centre on Saturday, Jan. 15. At this licensed event the dinner will be piped in at 6 p.m. with a traditional Scottish program to follow. Tickets are \$17.50 and available ahead (preferred) by calling 705-454-1653/8045 or purchased at the door.

Kinmount United Church Women are hosting the monthly craft drop-in at the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace, in the lower level of the community centre, on Tuesday, Jan. 18 from 10 a.m. to noon. Everyone is welcome to bring along a craft in progress or assist with a community project while sharing ideas over coffee in an informal atmosphere. There is no fee and for more information please give Pauline a call at 705-488-2220.

The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development invites the whole community to a special meeting on Tues-

day, Jan. 25 at 7 p.m. at the Community Centre to hear the First Impressions report from the Apsley team. Kinmount and Apsley had been partnered to complete this exercise with each group visiting the other's town and completing an evaluation identifying both strengths and needs. The following day on Wednesday, Jan. 26 the group from Kinmount will travel to Apsley to share its findings. Through this process information can be exchanged which will hopefully be of mutual benefit to residents, businesses and those involved in tourism attractions.

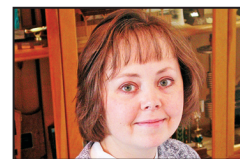
Mark your calendars now for Kinmount's annual Winterfest 2011 on Saturday, Feb. 12. The celebration kicks off with a tasty pancake breakfast at the Community Centre then heads out to the arena and fairgrounds for family fun. The downhill dash returns with several age categories including one for adults. Contestants will be racing their homemade, decorated cardboard toboggans for prizes along with many other activities. Watch for more details about this year's Winterfest in February's *Gazette*, here in this column and at kinmount.ca.

Coming events at the Kinmount Public Library include the monthly book sale by the Friends of the Library on Saturday, Jan. 15 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Craft Creations for kids on Jan. 18 at 5 p.m. This new program will be held on the third Tuesday of each month and donations of recyclable craft materials are welcome. Later in the month Family Literacy Day offers two sessions on January 27th one for preschoolers at 11:15 am and another for all at 5 p.m. Computer workshops are now available during regular library hours. These sessions will provide one-on-one assistance with computer programs or related questions. The cost is \$5 for a half hour and \$10 for a full hour and for more information please call MaryAnne at 705-488-3199. A cookbook entitled *Farm Fresh Recipes From The City Of Kawartha Lakes*, compiled in 2010 from recipes by residents and library patrons, is available for \$5 at the branch.

At the Legion branch 441 Kinmount it's the monthly big bucks bid euchre on Wednesday, Jan. 19 at 11 a.m. with a \$10 charge, which includes lunch. Also at the Legion lunch can be purchased on Tuesday, Jan. 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for \$6.

If you are feeling a little blue plant an amaryllis bulb. Ours now has five blooms and a second stalk growing. Until next week...

Ladies' night a success



Melissa Alfano
Dorset News

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The first ladies' night at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, Jan. 5 was a huge success with 12 ladies participating in a spa experience. The ladies made and enjoyed an avocado facial mask and exfoliating strawberry hand preparation. Thanks to Allie Chisholm Smith of Ahimsa for leading the ladies in a gentle yoga practice, thanks to Jocelyn Smith of Ahimsa for providing wonderful hand massages using the strawberry concoction and thanks to Lorraine Cyopick for organizing the evening and providing the refreshments. Thanks also to Audrey Cyopick for donating the door prize which was a beautiful gift basket filled with Aveeno and Neutrogena products.

The next Dorset ladies' night takes place on Wednesday, Feb. 2 and will be a chick flick and chocolate night. Come and enjoy the movie *Eat, Pray, Love*, popcorn and a special chocolate treat. The cost to participate is \$5 per person. Please call the recreation centre at 766-9968 to sign up or for more information.

Don't forget yoga classes start today with Ingrid Bittner (Wednesday, Jan. 12). There are two times to choose from, one at 10 a.m. and one at 5:30 p.m. Three participants are needed for a class to run so please call ahead. Ingrid is offering a special New Year's Resolution deal and your first class is free to try. Call 766-9968 for more information.

There will be a Dorset community policing meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre and all are welcome. Please call Marlene at 766-2409 for more information.

The winter session of Tai Chi at the recreation centre has begun. The class is open to all levels including beginners and runs on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Please call Valerie at 705-767-1177 for more information.

Employment services with the YMCA of Huntsville are being offered at the Dorset Recreation Centre the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. starting Jan. 11. Services include things like resume and cover letter assistance, job search advice, career coaching, job matching and placement and workshops will be available on a pre-registration basis. For more information email huntsvilleerc@ymca.ca or call 705-787-0349.

There will be a foot clinic with Fran Gower, R.N. at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, Jan. 19. For more information or to book an appointment, please call Joy at 766-1418.

It may be too late to register but it's not too late to sponsor or help out at the 11th annual Lions Camp Dorset Mini Putt Tournament. The tournament takes place on Saturday, Jan. 15 at Lions Camp Dorset on Kawagama Lake Road. Sponsoring a hole is \$50 and donations of prizes are welcome. Any help is greatly appreciated. For more information, please contact Steve Woolman by email to woolman@vianet.ca or call 766-2780.

Birthday wishes for the week of Jan. 9 to 15 go out to Corey Crewson, Kevin Nixon, Joyce McKay, Marie Warkentin, Graham Avery and Hugh Reynolds. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

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Atom AEs tie one, win two in Gravenhurst

Final scores: 4-4 tie with Bracebridge, 4-3 and 5-3 victories over Gravenhurst

Next games: Liftlock Tournament in Peterborough, Jan. 14 to 16

Floyd Hall Insurance's Atom AEs finished off their regular season this week with three games against the top two teams in their league. Our squad looked to have the game against Bracebridge well in hand right up until the final two minutes but Bracebridge managed to score twice in the final minute to tie the game, 4-4. Our team Canada WJHC squad would have done well to have watched this one so they could learn that it's never over until the final buzzer sounds!

Bo Stevenson and Ben Schmidt had a goal and an assist, Matthew Manning and Jesse Sisson scored goals and Trevor Turner, Jaxson Campbell and Shawn Walker recorded assists.

The final two games were a home and home match-up with the much-improved Gravenhurst squad. In the first game, Gravenhurst came out of the gates flying and scored two goals before our boys knew what hit them. Our boys quickly rebounded though and by the end of the first period they tied it up and were able take the lead by the end of the second. Gravenhurst proved to be resilient came back to tie it up again but with a couple minutes left in the game our boys final took a lead they would not relinquish.

Alex Petrie and Jaxson Campbell had a goal and an assist each, Bo Stevenson and Matthew Manning chipped in with singles and Ryan Prentice and Ben Schmidt each had a helper.

In the final game, our boys put the pressure on Gravenhurst right away and if not for some fine goaltending by Gravenhurst, our squad could have walked away with an early rout. But again, Gravenhurst stayed with it and came back to tie it up in the third. This was short-lived however, and quickly the Storm scored two more to put the game away for good.

Ben Schmidt scored a goal and two assists, and Jaxson Campbell, Matthew Manning, Bo Stevenson and Shawn Walker also recorded goals. Assists were counted by Ryan Prentice who had two, Noah Black and Alex Petrie.

Our boys travel to Peterborough this weekend for the Liftlock Tournament. Be sure to check the paper next week for the play-off schedule against Meaford!

Submitted by Jon Petrie

Bantam A wraps up league play

The Highland Storm Bantam A hockey team, sponsored by G.J. Burch Construction has had a successful regular season. This weekend the team wrapped up their league play in the Muskoka/Parry Sound loop in third place with a record of 10-4-4. As with every season that this group has played, the goal tending of Jordan Hamilton and Brayden Frost was paramount in many games, giving the skaters on the ice the confidence to take some chances. In front of the goalies, the D were a force that would slow up the opposing team's efforts to get ahead. With size being an issue at this age, it was obvious early on that, that would not be a reason for a rush down the ice to get through. In many cases it was not the size but rather the smarts in the size. Guarding the blue line were Jacob Sisson, Blake Wood, Connor Dollo, and Owen Flood. Leading the team

down the ice would be our forwards. This year this team was fraught with injury, illness, and the odd suspension. Games played with regular lines were few and far between yet these guys were willing and able to play with different linemates easily. Rushing down the ice were Tyler Barry, Spencer Trueman, Tom Paul, Roman Gardiner, Connor Bird, Devon Upton, Nick Thompson, Joseph Patrick and Braydin Hollows. Special mention needs to go out to Braeden Roberts for his many appearances with the team and was always a positive influence. In addition to the regular season, the boys attended three tournaments. In all cases this group represented our Storm association well and were semi-finalists in two of these appearances. Finally, a big thank you to our bench, James Reilly, Rod Sisson, Dave Hollows and the occasional appearance of Brent Flood, for all of the hours put into practices and games with our boys. Our playdown opponents have yet to be decided. Stay tuned for up coming info with times and places at the end of the month.

Submitted by Wendy Sisson

Bantam Bs end season with eight wins

A busy final week of regular season hockey for the Parker Pad and Printing Bantam B team started the day after New Year's Day with the Storm facing the Woodville Hurricanes.

The game was a tight checking affair without any scoring until 10:50 of the second period. The Storm had successfully worn down their opponents and proceeded to score eight times before the game ended.

Braden Roberts led the way with two goals while singles went to Lucas Esson, Kirk Lopez, Stuart Searle, Hunter Bishop, Jesse Davis, and Mac Monk-Cray.

On Jan. 5 the team travelled to the Emily-Ormeau Arena to face the Sharks, the Storm came out a little flat and lost 3-1.

The Storm's single goal was scored by Tyler Casey.

On Friday Jan. 7, the Storm had a date in Bobcaygeon to play the Sturgeon Thunder. Braden Roberts and Hunter Bishop scored for the Storm but it wasn't enough as they went down to defeat 5-2.

To add injury to insult they also lost defenseman Angus Sullivan to a broken collarbone.

Saturday saw the Storm facing Woodville at a home game in Minden. In a rough and tumble contest that saw 22 penalties handed out the Storm put away the Hurricanes 7-0 with Logan Churko picking up the shut out. Goal scorers were: Kirk Lopez (2), Tyler Casey (2), Jesse Davis, Conner Gadoway, and Stuart Searle. Lopez also picked up three assists for a five-point night.

The final game of the season was played in Minden on Sunday, Jan. 9. Emily-Ormeau Sharks came out with a lot of energy and scored twice in the first period.

The Storm came on strong in the second period and were rewarded with a goal by Lucas Esson. Tyler Casey scored two early in the third to put the Storm up by one. The Sharks answered late in the period to end the game in a tie.

The Storm end the season with eight wins, six loses, four ties.

Submitted by Doug Sullivan

Storm overtakes Otters and Bears

Randy's Tree Care and Landscaping Peewee AEs played their final two regular season games last week during the Christmas break.

The first game on Jan. 4 in Minden was against the Huntsville Otters.

The Storm team was short two players and seemed to have a bit of "Christmas lag." Despite this they managed to hang in there and came away with a 2-1 win.

The two goals went to Tim Burgess and Mac Rider. Assists to Alex Wilbee and Regan Casey.

On Thursday, Jan. 6 the Storm met up with the Bracebridge Bears in Minden, and had shaken off their "Christmas lag," and were ready to play hockey (but were now one player short).

It was a lopsided game, with the Storm wanting points to try to keep first place in their division. The Storm dominated and won the game 9-1. Alex Wilbee got a hat trick, other goals, Ethan Cooper (2), John Morrison, Greg Crofts, Regan Casey, and Jake Bull. Assists going to Josh Rowden (2), Ethan Cooper, Greg Crofts, Alex Wilbee and Regan Casey. A great effort by the rest of the team, Parker Smolen (goalie), Mitch Billings, Tim Burgess, Mac Rider and Max MacNaull.

We are now waiting for the play off schedule, but it is believed the first round we play is against Port Carling, the best two out of three.

No dates have been set yet but it is said the first game will be at home. Wishing all the teams good luck in their play off games!

Submitted by Karena Crofts

Bantam girls hockey win two

The Minden Car Quest Bantam girls hockey team rallied with two wins in the New Year after losing to the first place Keene Wolverines on Dec 30.

The girls put together a strong road-game performance against the Markham-Stouffville Stars on Sunday, Jan. 2.

Erin Little and Nicole Black both put one past the Stars' net-minder and Connor Marsden secured her 11th shut-out in the 2-0 win.

On Jan. 8 the Minden Car Quest Bantam squad travelled to Port Hope to take on the Polar Bears. Another strong performance allowed the girls to squeak out another close win. Kendal Marsden banked the only goal of the game off a Port Hope defender as she finished off her offensive rush and Connor Marsden kept the opposition off the score board securing her 12th shut-out of the season. Final score 1-0.

One last game (on the road) on Jan. 29 against Markham-Stouffville Stars before the start of the provincial play-downs. Great season girls ... our league play-offs have been cut off by the OWHA via a non-reply to why the rationale provided by the Storm team and the request to remain a Bantam C team, was denied. Politics at its best ... I guess?

Submitted by Dan Marsden

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The second part of that equation is called marketing. There will be words of marketing wisdom for novices and fresh ideas for old hands at a Jan. 28 maple information day in Buckhorn.

A panel of three longtime sugarmakers will discuss their sales techniques at the annual general meeting of the Haliburton-Kawartha Maple Syrup Producers Association.

It would be almost un-Canadian not to like maple syrup so it really isn't that hard to sell once you've identified a market for it.

The panel will be moderated by another veteran producer, Jim Moore of Janetville, who will lead the panelists through a discus-

sion of what works and what doesn't.

Labelling, pricing, promoting and finding sales venues will all be on the agenda for Peter Kennedy of Millbrook, Sam McLean of Buckhorn and Betty Anne Shaw of Bobcaygeon.

The day-long meeting starts at 9 a.m. and is open to the public. Anybody interested in learning more about maple syrup is welcome.

Other items on the agenda include reports on food safety, proposed new grading standards, demonstrations of making maple sugar and maple butter, along with news from the Ontario Maple Syrup Association.

The day also includes a trade show. Beginners can talk to equipment dealers about how to get started and established producers can learn about new technologies.

The Haliburton-Kawartha local is a unit of the Ontario Maple

Syrup Producers Association with members in Haliburton and Peterborough counties, Durham Region and the city of Kawartha Lakes.

That covers a lot of territory, so the meeting is an opportunity for old friends to get reacquainted and for beginners to eavesdrop and ask for advice.

The day's program starts at 9 a.m. and runs till 4 p.m., with registration starting at 8:30 and a break for lunch and socializing. A \$20 fee includes a hot lunch.

If you plan to attend, please let organizers know by Jan. 23. Please contact Sam McLean at 705-657-1630 or smclean@mcleanberryfarm.com or Neil Campbell at 705-457-7158 or neilcampbell@explornet.ca.

By Neil Campbell

Career & Business Opportunities



Township of Algonquin Highlands requires a **TREASURER**

The Township of Algonquin Highlands with a permanent population of 2,000 and a seasonal population exceeding 10,000 is known within Central Ontario as an area of natural beauty where residents enjoy a rural lifestyle second to none.

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from experienced, qualified persons for the position of Treasurer. Reporting to the C.A.O., and as a member of the Senior Management Team, the Treasurer will perform the statutory duties of Treasurer as set forth in applicable provincial legislation. In this position, you will be responsible for the following:

- Supervision of three full-time staff in tax collection, accounts payable/receivable, and payroll.
- Coordinate and lead the annual budget process, development of long-term capital/operating budget forecasts.
- Responsible for GL, FIR completions, monthly operating statements, taxation and municipal revenue functions.
- Maintain asset inventory in compliance with PSAB.
- Preparation of required financial statements and reports to Council and Senior Staff.
- Coordinate all audit requirements.
- Human Resources and payroll functions including benefit administration.
- Oversee insurance plans and risk management issues.
- Computer software maintenance and back-up systems.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- A related post secondary education or university degree with an accounting designation, or a related mix of education and experience.
- Municipal finance courses. Significant demonstrated management experience and understanding of local government finance, municipal financial planning, financial information systems, municipal financial reporting, taxation experience, budgetary processes, and supervisory experience.
- Excellent interpersonal, financial, project/time management, organizational, analytical, communication, presentation, staff leadership and supervisory skills.
- Advanced computer skills including thorough knowledge of accounting software, spreadsheet and data base management (USTI municipal software experience an asset)

Salary Range : \$81,539 - \$91,772 subject to meeting all qualifications

Applicants must indicate how they meet the minimum qualifications in their resume. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please submit your resume in confidence by 4:00 p.m. on **February 18, 2011** to:

Angie Bird, C.A.O.

Township of Algonquin Highlands

1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, Ontario, K0M 1J1

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The Township of Algonquin Highlands requires a **DEPUTY CHIEF BUILDING OFFICIAL/BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** **\$41,378 to \$46,571**

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- Respond to telephone and counter inquiries;
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- Perform calculations to determine the value of permit fees, development charges etc.;
- Onsite inspection to ensure compliance with the Ontario Building Code;
- Attend training courses and seminars as necessary to remain current in this field;
- Maintain accurate written inspection records and provide written reports as required;
- Enter permit applications and inspection records onto computer system;
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Skills/Education Required

- Post-secondary diploma in Civil Engineering or Architectural Technology, Building Inspection or a related field;
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Mitchell O'Grady

Chief Building/Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Township of Algonquin Highlands

1123 North Shore Rd.

Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1

Or e-mail: mogrady@algonquinhighlands.ca

Enquiries: 705-489-2379

Please quote **position title** on your submission. *We appreciate the interest of all applicants, however, only those selected for interviews will be contacted.*

How does road salt affect your car?



Closer Look
Russ Bond,
QMI Agency
r.bond@russbondagency.com

Is it just me, or does there always seem to be more "white" cars on the road this time of the year?

Well, the simple reason for that is that most of those white cars are in fact covered with road salt – a corrosive mix that presents us with a few problems.

Road salt is basically chloride-based freeze point depressants mixed with other minerals – sodium, calcium and potassium, among others. The white stuff caked on our cars is the dried remnants of that salt picked up by the spray of cars. That briny mist sticks to our vehicle bodies like any other moisture and when it dries, what's left is the white salty residue.

The problem is that most road salt is very corrosive, and it will eat away at your vehicle's body, setting the perfect table for that unwelcomed guest – rust. Most people mistakenly believe that once the salt has dried on a car, it stops being a problem simply because water or moisture is the active ingredient for a corrosive reaction. This is not true, as the moisture in the air (humidity) is enough to keep the salt eating away.

But, you have to keep in mind that as bad as the top or outside of the car looks, it's the underneath that really takes a beating. Most of the metallic structures underneath the car aren't painted, and are therefore way more vulnerable to the effects of corrosion. Furthermore, that metal between you and the road is pelted on both sides because one of the easiest ways salt gets into your car is through your boots.

So, how do we protect our cars from the ravages of road salt? The best way is to not drive them in the winter. That



Russ Bond QMI Agency

Many vehicle owners wrongly believe that once salt has dried on the vehicle body it ceases to be a problem, but humidity provides enough moisture to keep the corrosive reaction going.

obviously isn't feasible for most of us, so the best remedy is a good car wash. Many "drive-through" washes now have under body spray, so spring for the extra few bucks. Frequent washes are very valuable in stopping the build up of road salt, even though it may seem pointless because the roads are wet or snowy.

As for the interior, a good set of rubber mats that are designed specifically for your model (so they fit properly for protection as well as driving safety) is the best investment in protecting your vehicle against salt.

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The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from experienced, qualified persons for the position of Clerk-Planning Administrator. Reporting to the C.A.O., and as a member of the Senior Management Team, the Clerk-Planning Administrator will perform a wide variety of functions including the statutory and advisory duties of Clerk as set forth in applicable provincial legislation.

This position is also responsible for the coordination of all land use planning issues and requires a sound knowledge of the legislative framework, principles and best practices related to land-use planning together with excellent analytical, problem solving, interpersonal, reporting writing and presentation skills.

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- Five years experience in a municipal management position.
- A related post secondary education or community college diploma in public administration, local government, planning or related discipline, or a related mix of education and experience.
- Municipal administration courses.
- Working knowledge of the *Municipal Act, Planning Act, Elections Act, Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* and other legislation related to municipal governance.
- Significant demonstrated management experience and understanding of local government, municipal administration and land use planning.
- Excellent interpersonal, project/time management, organizational, analytical, communication and presentation skills.
- Strong computer skills.

Salary Range : \$59,342.89 - \$66,790.95 (under review)

Applicants must indicate how they meet the minimum qualifications in their resume. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please submit your resume in confidence by **4:00 p.m. on February 18th, 2011** to:

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Thanx to everyone involved.

Your most ardent cheerleader,
Brenda



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Coming Events


The Board of Directors of Arts Alive Minden sincerely thanks our 2010 Arts Exposed donors! The auctions raised over \$8,000. We'll announce guidelines for our 2011 Community Grants Fund in the spring.

June Olga Anderson, The Barnboard Lady, Lisa Barry, Homestead Pottery, Shelly Beach, June Beeney, The Cat's Meow, Elaine Bell, Annette Blady, Miskwabi House Studio, Jack Brezina, Highlands Summer Festival, Lynne Brown, River Run Jewelry, Darlene Buckingham, Earthdance Studio, Susan & Michael Butz, Windy Ridge Studio, Margery Cartwright, Portage Lake Pottery, Shawn Chamberlin, Grill on the Gull, Terry Craig, Artech Studios, Elaine Davison, Tom & Diane Dawson, Wintergreen Maple Products, Glenn Diezel, Jean Farrell, Carol Finn, Carol Finn Fine Art Galleries, Tom Green, Glass Eagle Studios, Karen Stoskopf Harding, Jane Jaycock, Eagle's Rest Creative, Arlene Johnston, Sarah Jowett, Susan Kellar, Whispers North Gallery and Gifts, Shirley Kuni, My Size, Wendy Ladurantaye, Bill Lambie, Minden Legion Branch 636, Marie Lennard, John Lennard, John Leonard, Rawn Loughheed, Minden Sears, Sandi Luck, Fibre Artist, Erin Lynch, Bella's Bazaar Studio, Laurie Mackie, Fionnuala Martin, Beaver Theatre, Fay Martin, The Conjurers of County Town, Barrie Martin, Yours Outdoors, Charlene McConnell, Linda Middleton, Crystal Image Studio, Jennifer Mills, Joy & Jerry Mous, Ten King My Favourite Things, Brenda Mulholland, Anne Neave, Campbell's Flower Shop, Yael Novak, Charles O'Neil, Bent Offerings Studio, Laurie O'Reilly, Andrea Orpana, Peter & Klara Oyler, Daniela Pagliaro, Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Georgina Parkes, Sonya Paterson, Rose Pearson, Rose Pearson Studio, Sean Pennylegion, Forest Festival, Don & Jessie Pflug, Stouffer Mill B & B, Greg Pichnej, Lois Raw, Lois Raw Chalk Pastels, Tammy Rea, Highland Media Arts, Paul Rolfe, Rolfe Woodcraft Studio, Sylvia Rose, Studio Rose, Wayne Rose, Studio Rose, Gwen Salmon, Lorraine Semple, Haliburton Concert Series, Leo Sepa, Iron Jive Studio, Marc Shroetter, Crowne Gallery, Karen Sloan, Wall Flower Studio, Marvella Smith, Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild, Lila Sweet, Gravity House Cafe, Sophia Tink, Sophia Tink Jewellery Art, Walter VanderWindt, The Carving Gallery, Debbie Wales, Earth & Fire Pottery, Grahame Wales, Earth & Fire Pottery, Wilma Warne, Soundings Discoveries in Stone & Fabric, Kim Warne, Soundings Discoveries in Stone & Fabric, Susan Watson Ellis, Paradigm Designs, Wendy Wood, The Colour of Wood, Rickie Woods, Rickie Woods Potter. And a special thanks to Mike Jaycock, our auctioneer!



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• **Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services** is currently recruiting volunteers to assist in the Adult Day Program in the following areas: Bobcaygeon, Fenloen Falls, Omemee, and Burnt River. Volunteers assist staff with programs for socially isolated seniors and people with special needs such as physical or developmental disabilities. Social, recreational and physical Activities are offered in caring, friendly, safe environments. Training Provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack for further information 705-324-7323 x 274 or emaccormack@community-care.on.ca.

• **Ladies Night at the Dorest Recreational Center.** Ladies, join in for an evening of fun at this new monthly activity(to take place the 1st Wednesday of the month) The inaugural Ladies Night stating at 7pm on January 5 has a theme of " Spa Night". The cost is \$5 per person and all ladies are welcome. Call the Rec Center to sign up.

• **January 12th : Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild Meeting.** 1 pm at St. Georges Anglican Church, Mountain St. Haliburton. Everyone Welcome. For more info call Sharon 286-1531

• **January 12 to 18th -- the Taoist Tai Chi Society TM is holding open houses in Haliburton,** Kinmount, Minden and Wilberforce to introduce the start of new classes. Taoist Tai Chi TM is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. For more information, please call Wilma 457-1909 or visit www.haliburtonecho.ca

• **January 13th: Leaders Prayer Breakfast** at the West Guilford Community Center at 8:30am. Join us as we pray for the leaders of our land. Tickets are \$12.50 and can be purchased at one of the following host churches: Lighthouse Pentacostal Church; St. George's Anglican Church; The Bridge Lakeside Baptist Church; Eagle Lake Community Church; West Guilford Baptist Church.

• **January 16th : Lochlin Community Center is hosting a Spaghetti Dinner.** Spaghetti and homemade meat sauces will be served with salad, roll and dessert. Adults\$10, Kids under 12 \$6, Children under 4 free. Seating available for 4:30 and 5:45 dinner. For reservations call Lethia at 286-1398. Please come and support our community.

• **January 24th to March 6th : Family Math at Archie Stouffer School.** From 5-7 pm. For families with children in Junior/Senior Kindergarten and Grade 1. What do bears, bugs and bubbles have in common? They can help your child learn math! Come and join 6 sessions of FUN! Light supper provided. Take home surprises each week. Space is limited so please register by phoning 286-4625 or emailing oeypcparented@bellnet.ca.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to cthorn@mindentimes.ca or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to cthorn@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.
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Cathy Lee Clarke

After a courageous battle with cancer, on Mon., Jan. 3, Cathy Lee Ogemah Clarke, in her 43rd year, passed into the arms of the Lord. Precious mother of Eddie and Alex of Kenora. Beloved daughter of Terry and Raylene Clarke of Minden, Ont.; Granddaughter of Gloria & the late Ray Moore of Minden, Theresia & the late Al Clarke of Gravenhurst. Survived by saddened sisters & brothers, Doreen and Vera of Kenora, John (Celeste) of Ottawa, Julie Ann of London, Jerome (Heather) of Oshawa, Charles of Orillia. Predeceased by brother Clifton. Loving niece of Glenn & Deb Moore of Toronto; Colleen & Blake O'Byrne, Keith Moore, Daryl & Kelly Moore, Brian Moore, Rawn & Lawrence Loughed, Scott & Michelle Moore all of Minden; Kathy Shillinglaw of Toronto, Angela Clarke of Barrie. Will be sadly missed by many nieces and nephews, especially Ryan Clarke, Jessica and Davidson, many cousins and friends in Southern Ontario, Quebec, Alberta and Kenora, and her fellow Breast Cancer Survivor paddlers of the Dragon Tamers. A Celebration of Life to be held at The Jubilee Church, Kenora, on Sat., Jan. 8. Donations can be made to the trust fund for Eddie and Alex at Copperfin Credit Union, Park street location, Kenora, Ontario.

Deaths

McILVENNY, Maurice (Moe) Christopher
- (Bell Canada Retiree - 1982) Passed away peacefully at home on Sunday, January 9, 2011 in his 85th year with his loving family by his side. Loving spouse of Patricia Bradburn and beloved husband of the late Alice (1984). Loving father of Pamela (Kees), Stephen (Linda), Kathryn (Ed), Beverley (Dave), and Barbara (John). Grandfather of Christopher, Debbie (Billy), Robert, Brenda (Rob), Douglas (Jessica), Derek (Lisa), Brian (Matylda), Robert, Josiah, Abram, and Leah. Adopted grandfather of Dave (Debbie). Greatgrandfather of Tommy, Robert, Brienne, Bailee, Graeden, Taylor, Hunter, Lincoln, and Malina. Loved by Brenda, Larry, Lenna, Gord, Grant, Carolyn and Stephanie. Dear brother of Jack (Sadie) and brother-in-law of Ivy, and Gladys (Otto). He will be missed by nephews, nieces, other family members and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Minden United Church, Minden on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 from 11:00 am until the time of the Memorial Service at 12:00 o'clock noon. Reception to follow at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch # 636 Minden. Cremation has taken place. If desired memorial donations to the Minden Food Bank, the Salvation Army, the Canadian Cancer Society or the charity of your choice would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, P.O. BOX 427, Minden, Ontario. www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com



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